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SUBJ: WEST BANK REACTION TO BEIRUT RAID

SUMMARY: WEST BANK REACTION TO BEIRUT AND ASSASSINATION OF FEDAYEEN LEADERS IS CHARACTERIZED BY FRUSTRATION, AMAZEMENT, AND EMBARRASSMENT. FACT THAT GOJ HAS NOT CONDEMNED RAID HAS BEEN NOTED, AS HAVE ALLEGATIONS OF OUTSIDE (READ US) COMPLICITY IN OPERATION. END SUMMARY.

1. WEST BANK PALESTINIANS WITH WHOM WE HAVE SPOKEN HAVE BEEN STUNNED BY ISRAELI RAID INTO BEIRUT AND ASSASSINATION OF FEDAYEEN LEADERS. THEY ARE AT LOSS TO UNDERSTAND HOW SUCH A RAID COULD HAVE BEEN CARRIED OUT (AND, AS IN 1967, TEND TO LOOK FOR SCAPEGOATS BY CREDITING ALLEGATIONS OF OUTSIDE ASSISTANCE), INTENSELY EMBARRASSED THAT IDF COULD WALTZ INTO AN ARAB CAPITAL AND GUN DOWN LEADING RESISTENCE LEADERS IN THEIR BEDROOMS, AND FRUSTRATED BY APPARENT HOPELESSNESS OF THEIR CAUSE. AS ONE ACQUAINTANCE PUT IT, " IF THE ISRAELIS CAN DO THIS, WHAT IS LEFT FOR US?"

2. MANY WEST BANKERS FEEL SENSE OF PERSONAL LOSS SINCE KEMAL
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NASER (FROM BIR ZEIT) LEFT MANY RELATIVES AND CLOSE FRIENDS IN AREA. IN INTERESTING SIDELIGHT, LOCAL ARABIC PRESS WAS PERMITTED TO PRINT MOURNING NOTICES FOR NASER, AND A MEMORIAL SERVICE WILL BE HELD FOR HIM APRIL 11. PECIAL MERIT OR INTEREST."

(D) PRESENT ARTICLES III THROUGH XIII RENUMBERED IV THROUGH XIV DUE TO ADDITION OF NEW ARTICLE III.
(FOLLOWING- LISTED ARTICLE NUMBERS IN THIS CABLE REFLECT THIS CHANGE.)

(E) ARTICLE IV REVISED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:
" SPECIFIC CONDITIONS FOR THE REALIZATION OF MUTUALLY AGREED RESEARCH PROJECTS SUPPORTED BY THE U. S. NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION BETWEEN RESPECTIVE SCIENTIFIC INSTITUTIONS WILL BE OUTLINED IN SCIENTIFIC PROJECT PROPOSALS BASED UPON THE GENERAL PRINCIPLES DERIVED FROM THIS MEMORDANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING."

(F) IN ARTICLE V, THE SENTENCE READING " FINANCIAL COMMITMENTS BY BOTH PARTIES SHALL BE SUBJECT TO THE AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS" HAS BEEN OMITTED.

(G) A REVISED ARTICLE VII HAS BEEN INSERTED, READING AS FOLLOWS:

" THE POLISH ACADEMY OF SCIENCES WILL COORDINATE THE PROGRAM OF SCIENTIFIC COOPERATION UNDER THIS MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING AND SHALL FACILITATE THE CONDUCT OF THIS PROGRAM BETWEEN THE NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION AND POLISH SCIENTIFIC INSTITUTIONS.

" ADMINISTRATION OF THE PROMGRAM OF SCIENTIFIC COOPERATION WILL BE CONDUCTED BETWEEN THE NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION AND THE OFFICE FOR INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS OF THE POLISH ACADEMY OF SCIENCES, THROUGH THE AMERICAN EMBASSY IN WARSAW.

" BOTH SIDES AGREE, HOWEVER, THAT DIRECT SCIENTIST-TO- SCIENTIST COMMUNICATION ON SUBSTANTIVE MATTERS DERIVED FROM THE REALIZATION OF THE RESEARCH PROJECT SHALL BE ENCOURAGED."

(H) THE FIRST SENTENCE OF ARTICLE XIV HAS BEEN AMENDED TO READ " THIS MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING SHALL ENTER UNCLASSIFIED

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INTO FORCE UPON SIGNATURE AND SHALL REMAIN IN FORCE UNTIL CANCELLED BY EITHER PARTY."

3. EMBASSY AIRPOUCHING COPY OF FULL TEXT OF THIS OFFICIAL PAN VERSION UNDER COVER OF AIRGRAM.

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